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Airlift — A helicopter lowers an air conditioning unit onto the roof of Granite City High School. The work was being done by Granite Mechanical Piping.
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Tobacco firms sued

Labor funds seeking to recover expenses

Fourteen Illinois-based labor and labor-management health and welfare funds are suing major tobacco companies, tobacco trade associations and distributors of tobacco products in an effort to recover expenses for participants' medical care.

The funds are represented by The Laklin Law Firm of Wood River, which filed the 120-page complaint May 30 in Madison County Circuit Court. Lawyers with the firm who are familiar with the lawsuit couldn't be reached for comment.

The suit charges cigarette manufacturers and their trade associations "have engaged in a conspiracy to mislead, deceive and confuse the plaintiff health and welfare funds and other health care payors throughout the United States regarding the overwhelming evidence that cigarette smoking causes fatal disease, and that the nicotine in cigarettes is a powerfully addictive substance."

The lawsuit states that the defendants "systematically suppressed and concealed material information

'(Defendants) systematically suppressed and concealed material information and waged an aggressive campaign of disinformation about the health consequences of cigarette smoking.'

— Lawsuit

and waged an aggressive campaign of disinformation about the health consequences of cigarette smoking." As a result, the plaintiffs claim, they have been forced to spend millions of dollars for medical and related services for participants and their beneficiaries who suffer from tobacco-related diseases.

The plaintiffs are asking that the lawsuit be certified as a class action on behalf of all labor-management multi-employer health and trust funds that operate in Illinois. The lawsuit states that there are more than 70 such funds.

In addition to reimbursement for medical expenses and punitive damages, the lawsuit requests that defendants be ordered, among other things, to:

- Disclose their research on smoking addiction and health;
- Disclose nicotine yields of their cigarettes;
- Fund a remedial public education campaign on the health consequences of smoking;
- Fund smoking cessation programs.

Cease advertising and promotions that attract minors to begin smoking.

The lawsuit states that cigarette smoking is the leading cause of premature death in the United States and kills more than 400,000 people each year, more than the number of people killed by vehicle accidents, (See SUIT, Page 10A)

Getting (more) educated: Administrators get doctorates

By Michelle Duell
Staff writer

Four school administrators in Madison County recently received their doctorate degrees in education at St. Louis University. Their reasons for seeking the degree varied, except for one that everyone agreed upon: It set a good example for their students.

The four are Hilda Everage, assistant superintendent of Madison Community Unit 12;

Steve Balen, superintendent of Granite City Community Unit 9; Raelynn Parks, principal of Madison Middle School; and Stan Ganschinslet, principal of Collinsville High School.

"On a broad scale, I model life-long learning," 45-year-old Everage said. "And, by me having more knowledge and more information, I feel I can contribute my part better."

"My uncle was an M.D.," she said. "I want-

ed to be like that. I got a bachelor's, a master's, then a specialist, then an Ed.D. I still plan to take more courses. I'm not finished yet. And when I retire, I'm going to go to grad school to study the great philosophers — but that's when I can relax."

While earning her doctorate, Everage said, she particularly studied staff development and how to improve teaching skills.

"I'm interested in Madison," she said.

"We're a poor, little community. When you have students from preppy pre-schools and you have them with students from dysfunction families (like Madison), it creates a gap. I want to bridge that — give the kids a goal beyond Madison."

"Every school in the state is required to have a curriculum — how you design your program," Everage said. "For my (dissertation), (See DOCTORATES, Page 10A)

'Reading magician' brings act to Venice

By Michelle Duell
Staff writer

Magic entertainer Chris Egelston of Carterville will be presenting the 1997 version of his "Reading is Magic" show at noon on June 14 at the Venice Public Library.

Egelston first premiered the show in 1987, and this year's show, he said, contains all-new magic, comedy and audience participation with a slant on reading.

The show includes messages about reading for knowledge and fun, how you can learn anything you want by reading — including magic — and how the ability to read can help make one successful in life, Egelston said.

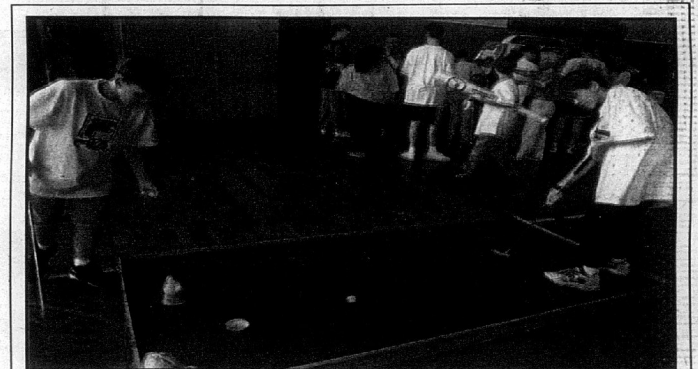
Egelston said he entertains with an assortment of magic, funny stories, colorful props, magic wands and other surprises. He also invites children on stage to participate in the show.

"The goal of the show is to encourage children to read as often as possible, not only to learn but also to have fun," said Egelston.

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Chris Egelston



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESSE)

Carnival — Ronnie Morlen, left, picks up his ball while his friend Alex Schillinger, right, takes a shot on the mini golf course set up in the gymnasium at Coolidge Middle School during a carnival day held there last week. More photos on Page 2A.

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Former state's attorney dies

'Rollie' Griffith won on pledge to chase hoodlums from county

ALTON — Attorney R.W. "Rollie" Griffith ran for Madison County state's attorney in 1968 on a promise to chase the hoodlums out of the county.

"Mr. Griffith was the first Republican in years to be elected state's attorney in a Democratic-controlled county, and that was a great achievement," Madison County GOP Chairman Edward Ragsdale said. The 74-year-old county attorney died of

cancer at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis.

"He died peacefully in his sleep with his family at his side," said Jean Griffith, his wife of 47 years. "He lived a long and fruitful life."

Griffith followed the



Griffith

footsteps of his late father, Circuit Judge R.W. Griffith Sr. of Granite City, and went into a law career in 1951 in Alton.

Republicans believed he had the best chance of breaking the Democratic stronghold in the courthouse.

Griffith campaigned from town to town for state's attorney in the fall of 1968 and stood on street corners to proclaim his

(See GRIFFITH, Page 4A)

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School's Project Success is living up to its name

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Project Success at Marshall Elementary School is aptly named.

The program, initiated in the 1994-95 school year, utilizes school district and community resources to deliver health and social services not traditionally associated with schools to students and their families.

"The reason it was so successful at Marshall was that it provided needed social services, plus it provided a model for a schoolwide Title I program," said Virgil Kambarian, principal at Marshall.

After a community survey indicated the needs of at-risk students at Marshall, three teams of parents, teachers and others in the community designed plans to meet those needs. Activities ranged from providing immunizations for children to establishing substance abuse programs for their parents.

"One of the most helpful things was a health fair prior to the start of school," said Melanie McFarland, secretary at Marshall. "There were always a number of kids who were excluded from school after a certain time because they didn't have physicals or immunizations."

McFarland said the health fairs were held at the school so they were easily accessible to students and the services were free or at greatly reduced prices based on a sliding scale. Those involved with Project Success got together on a regular basis to discuss needs of individual students and how they could best be addressed, McFarland said.

"It's been wonderful," she said.

"The reason it was so successful at Marshall was that it provided needed social services, plus it provided a model for a schoolwide Title I program."

— Virgil Kambarian,
School principal

Project Success was set up to achieve two goals, said Dr. Goni Michaeloff, grant writer for the school district, who obtained the funds for the program.

"It strives to achieve two goals: to improve child and family well-being by providing services that promote school success, local planning and decision-making, parental

involvement and prevention; and to support systemic changes which improve collaboration, coordination and resource-sharing between state and local agencies," Michaeloff said.

Marshall received an initial Project Success grant for the 1994-95 school year, a second-year grant the following

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Fun time — Coolidge Middle School held a carnival last week to celebrate the end of the school year. Above, Coolidge eighth grader Kevin Pindable, second from left, watches as fellow eighth grader Jeff Melton, left, challenges seventh grader Jacob Allison, right, to a game of table hockey. At right, Michael Lindsay, also an eighth grader, sticks to a felt wall while wearing a velcro suit on a carnival ride called "The Human Fly."



(Staff photos by JOHN FRES)

Big item trash pick-up set

The City of Madison will hold its annual free pick-up of large items and extra trash during the week of Friday through June 15.

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Donations sought to help send children to burn camp

By Kimberly Haas
Staff writer

Area firefighters and citizens are hoping to raise \$10,000 to send 35 children to the Southern Illinois Camp for Burned Children.

The region's first camp for burned children hopes to send 25 children between the ages of nine and 18 to a week-long camp in Carbondale, and send 10 children, ages five to eight, on an overnight camp-out.

Carol Hays, a member of the Southern Illinois Camp for Burned Children's board, said the group is very close to raising the needed funds.

"The fund-raiser is going very well. So far, we've raised \$8,500," Hays said.

Donations have been received from local businesses, organizations and individuals, Hays said.

The two camps will be held at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale's Touch of

Nature Environmental Center, located near Giant City State Park. A pilot burn camp was held last September at the center with nine children participating, Hays said.

The board of directors began planning for the camp in January, Hays said. The camp will be held July 27 to Aug. 2.

"The pilot camp was very successful, so we decided to get ambitious," she said of the upcoming camp.

"We've accomplished a lot since (January), mainly because the cause is such an important one."

Hays said the main goal of the Touch of Nature Environmental Center and the volunteer board itself is to free the boundaries for burned children.

Those wishing to find out more information about the camp should contact board chairman Dennis Palmer at (618) 965-3061 or write to: Southern Illinois Camp for Burned Children, P.O. Box 2851, Carbondale, IL 62902.

The bright side Joe Papa sprucing up sewer district

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Some may laugh at him, but Joe Papa is trying to spruce things up at the office of Madison County Special Service Area #1 for Sewers.

The office is located across from Mitchell Elementary School on East Chain of Rocks Road in Mitchell.

Some might wonder why a sewer maintenance office needs to have a pleasant appearance. After all we are talking about — the stuff that goes through sewers.

But Papa, recently hired as assistant supervisor, thinks a pleasant environment is important to workers' attitudes as well as to the public's perception.

"It was kind of mundane. We think it's a lot more pleasant," Papa said.

To improve the office, Papa has planted flowers in front of the building, instituted an "employee of the week" program, bought donuts and fresh fruit for workers and had the department's logo redesigned.

Perhaps the most noticeable change so far is the garden Papa planted in front of the building. He placed sewer pipe inside the ditch that runs along the road in front of the building, buried the pipe and landscaped the area with rocks. He then planted a variety of vegetation — including corn and dandelions of all things — around the sign identifying the building.

"People told me it couldn't be done — that we had to have state approval to fill in the ditch," Papa said. "So I called IDOT (the Illinois Department of Transportation) to get permission."

"I don't know if you've ever dealt with the state, but nobody wanted to make a decision." In addition to the aesthetic improvement, the ditch is now more safe for children walking to school, he said.

"It was just a matter of time before one of those children tripped and fell in that ditch and got hurt," Papa said. "Nobody wants that to happen."

Because Papa did much of the work on his own time — and perhaps because he is brother of Madison County Board Chairman Rudy Papa — he has been ridiculed.

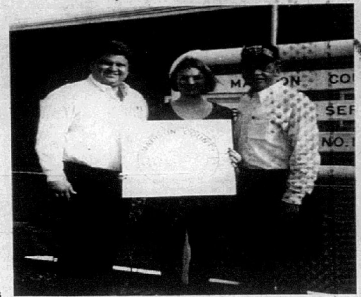
For example, Papa's boss, Dan Stern, recently received an anonymous note referring to Papa as "crazy" for working in the garden at 3 a.m.

"I couldn't sleep, so I thought I'd work on it," Papa said.

Papa said the workers were initially skeptical of his "employee of the week" program, but have since warmed to the idea. One of the perks of the program is a prime parking space near the office door.

One selected worker suggested in jest that Papa also wash his vehicle. But Papa thought that was a good idea.

"That guy's truck probably hadn't been washed in a year. It looked terrible. It had junk all over the floorboard," Papa said. "But after I washed it, it looked pretty good."



Erin Tyler, an art student at Granite City High School, holds the new logo she designed for the Madison County Special Service Area #1 for Sewers. At left is Dan Stern, supervisor for the sewer district. At right is Joe Papa, assistant supervisor.

"The next week, he cleaned it up himself. He started to take a little pride in it."

Papa brought donuts and fresh fruit to the office one morning when the County Board's Sewer Committee was scheduled to meet there. Workers razzed him for trying to "kiss up" to his bosses, but Papa offered the goodies to the workers before the county officials arrived.

"These are the guys who do the work. They deserve it," Papa said. "Besides, I could always go get more."

Finally, Papa decided the sewer district's logo needed to be redesigned. He asked his wife Terry, a teacher at Granite City High School, if she knew of any art student who might be interested.

Terry Papa knew just the right person for the job — Erin Tyler.

Tyler had been a participant of the high school's PLUS Program in her freshman year. The PLUS Program is designed to assist students who might have trouble adjusting to the academics of high school with study habits, organizational skills and self-esteem.

Tyler took the bland looking sewer district logo — it was a rectangle, the shape of the county's boundary, with block letters — and spruced it up with an outline of the state, a star at Madison County and added color.

"It really looks great. Erin did a good job. We're having it put on all of our trucks," Papa said.

Papa is not sure what's next in his plan to spruce up the work environment. But whatever it is, you can bet it will be unusual.

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OBITUARIES

Moehle, Frances M.

FRANCES M. MOEHLE, 74, of Granite City died at 4:38 a.m. Wednesday, June 4, 1997, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville following a three-day illness. She was born Oct. 18, 1922, in City Center, Kan.

Mrs. Moehle retired in 1972 from General Motors after 18 years as an upholsterer. She was of the Presbyterian faith.

Survivors include her husband, Ralph Moehle; two daughters, Diane Hill of Pontoon Beach and Sue Ellen Moehle of Belleville; three sons, Ronald Scholebo of Granite City, Donald Scholebo of Union, Mo., and Ron Moehle of Edwardsville; 10 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Ray and Fern (Nichols) Cowell; one brother, Gail Cowell; and one sister, Jean Gleason.

Services were Friday, June 6, at Werner Chapel for funerals, 3939 Lake Drive, Granite City, with the Rev. Greg Dickerman officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Kalips, Emma C.
EMMA C. (MALONE) KALIPS, 72, of Granite City died at 4:59 p.m. Thursday, June 5, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, where she had been a patient for two weeks. Born Oct. 22, 1924, in Harrisburg, Pa., she had been a resident of Granite City since 1986.

Mrs. Kalips was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church, D.A.V. Auxiliary and Navy Mothers.

Survivors include three sons, Leo "Junior" Kalips III of Lake Sherwood, Mo., William "Mike" Kalips of Pontoon Beach and Joe Kalips of Granite City; five daughters, Barbara Robertson of Mitchell, Felicia D. Rees of Edwardsville and one grandchild, Charlotte Yarbrough and

Lena Kalips, all of Granite City; three brothers, Bill Malone of Camp Hill, Pa., Harry "Butch" Malone of Elizabeth Town, Pa., and Mart Malone of Linglestown, Pa.; six sisters, Elva Muzic of Warren, Ohio, Patricia Ziegler and Mary Beahm, both of Carlisle, Pa., Adelaide "Smoke" Mahak of Brookhart of Baltimore; 19 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Leo Kalips, whom she married Aug. 10, 1944, in Harrisburg, Pa., and who died in 1982. She was preceded by her parents, one son, Frankie Kalips; her parents, William and Mary (Kline) Malone, two brothers, Charles and Robert "Bob" Malone; and two sisters, Edith Ritter and Sally Harper.

Services will be from 3-9 p.m. today, Sunday, at Thomas Mortuary, 2205 Pontoon Road, Granite City. There will be a prayer service at 4:30 p.m.

Services are scheduled for 9 a.m. Monday, June 9, at Holy Family Catholic Church, 26th & Washington, Granite City, with the Rev. Fr. Bill Fiskeroff officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

McDermott, Juanita R.
JUANITA R. McDERMOTT, 63, of Beltho died at 8:30 p.m. Thursday, June 5, 1997, at Alton Memorial Hospital. She was born Aug. 9, 1933, in East Alton.

Mrs. McDermott was a former mental health technician at Alton Mental Health Center and a member of Bethel Baptist Church in Beltho.

Survivors include her husband, William S. McDermott; three sons, Gary and Perry McMichael, both of Jacksonville, Fla., and Larry McMichael of Granite City; one daughter, Cherlie Compton; and one grandchild, Alverta Giles of Edwardsville; eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Stanley McMichael, who died in 1982, and her parents, Selbert Vetter and Naomi (Halsey) Ziegler.

Services were Saturday, June 7, at Weber Funeral Home, 304 N. Main, Edwardsville, with the Rev. James Pratt officiating. Burial was in St. James Cemetery, Fort Russell Township.

Memorials are suggested to Bethel Baptist Church, Beltho.

Harper, Sally Ellen
"ANN"
SALLY ELLEN "ANN" (MALONE) HARPER, 60, of Granite City died at 7 p.m. Thursday, June 5, 1997, in St. Louis. She was born July 30, 1936, in Harrisburg, Pa.

Mrs. Harper was employed as a teacher's aide for 10 years at Mitchell School.

Survivors include two sons, Harold L. "Skip" and Greg A. Harper, both of Granite City; one daughter, Christine Beaudin of Granite City; three brothers, Bill Malone of Camp Hill, Pa., Mart Malone of Linglestown, Pa., and Barry "Butch" Malone of Elizabethtown, Pa.; six sisters, Adelaide "Smoke" Mahak of Harrisburg, Pa., Ethel "Kitty" Brookhart of Baltimore, Mary Beahm of Carlisle, Pa., Patricia Ziegler of Carlisle, Pa., Elva Muzic of Warren, Ohio, and Matilda Hatfield of Middletown, Pa.; and three grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Harold L. Harper Sr., who died August 1985; her parents, William F. and Mary (Kline) Malone; two sisters, Emma Kalips and Edith Ritter; and two brothers, Charles Malone and Robert "Bob" Malone.

Visitation will be from 5-8 p.m. today, Sunday, at Irwin Chapel, 3900 Maryville Road, Granite City. Services are scheduled for 1 p.m. Monday, June 9, at Irwin's Maryville Road Chapel with the Rev. Fred Boatright officiating. Burial will be in St. John Cemetery, Nameoki Road, Granite City.

Memorials are suggested to the charity of the donor's choice.

Granger, Golda
GOLDA GRANGER, 82, of Granite City died at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 3, 1997, at Colonial Care Center. Born Sept. 14, 1914, in Murphysboro, she was a lifetime resident of Granite City.

Mrs. Granger worked for many years as a jewelry store clerk. She was of the Protestant faith.

Survivors include one grandchild, Cindy Granger of Madison, and one great-grandson, Michael Schwalier II of Granite City, whom she raised.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William Granger, who died December 1979.

No services were held. The body was given to science.

Memorials are suggested to Michael Schwalier II, c/o Werner Chapel for funerals, 3939 Lake Drive, Pontoon Beach.

Project

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year and a two-year expansion grant for 1998-99.

When Project Success was initiated with a \$10,000 grant, Kambarian said, the federally funded Title I program — a completely separate program targeting at-risk students — was restricted to students who qualified for free or reduced lunches attending Title I schools. Since that time, any school with more than 50 percent of the student population qualifying is considered a Title I school, and funds can be used to benefit all students in the school, not just qualifying students.

"The staff got used to working schoolwide with Project Success, so we were ahead of the curve when Title I went from targeted to schoolwide," Kambarian said. "It could have been a difficult transition (from targeted Title I to schoolwide). Just about everyone has to pitch in in a schoolwide program."

And while Project Success provided \$10,000 for social service programs, Title I provides \$55,000 for each of the four designated Title I schools in the district, Kambarian noted.

"It may not sound like a lot of money, but believe me we can do a lot with it," he said.

Project Success was recently recognized for its effectiveness by Gov. Jim Edgar and by State Farm Insurance Co.

The State Farm "Innovators in Education" recognition included a \$1,000 cash award.

Motown Revue coming for fireworks at Alton

ALTON — The Motor City is coming to the River City for the fireworks, and the annual Alton Expo will make a curtain call in Riverfront Park this summer.

The Fabulous Motown Revue will headline the July 3 Riverfront Blast in the park, said Alton Expo commissioners, who took over the city's fireworks event last year.

The September Alton Expo also will return to Riverfront Park in spite of concerns that construction in the park would keep it out.

Expo commissioner Don Hayes said the Motown revue will be one of several musical acts to spark the July 3 festivities, which also will feature the return of The Mad Bomber to provide the pop, flash and

boom of the fireworks. Hayes said much of the July celebration is scheduled, but, unfortunately, the funding has fizzled.

Expo Commission chairman Jim Hernandez said the commission has managed to raise only \$8,000 of the approximately \$40,000 needed.

"We're not getting the donations we did last year, and we're only about five weeks out," Hayes said.

He said commissioners are hoping for donations from the city and the township, as occurred last year, but the budgets for both the fireworks and the Expo are under consideration.

The Expo Commission took over the annual fireworks event last year after the popular fireworks on the Mississippi festival fizzled.

Instead of the three-day extravaganza of fireworks on the Mississippi, the Riverfront Blast was for one night only, and that format will remain this year, Hayes said.

He said the fireworks fest will have at least 10 food booths.

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law-and-order message to voters.

"I'm serving notice to the hoodlums that I'll shut down their gambling, prostitution and loan-sharking operations in Madison County," Griffith told a crowd of cheering voters in a rally in a park in Granite City.

Voters elected Griffith, who was the first Republican in 30 years to occupy the State's Attorney's Office in the Edwardsville courthouse. "It was quite an accomplishment for Griffith," Ragsdale said.

Griffith's late father had been the last Republican to be elected county prosecutor in 1938.

Griffith established a reputation as state's attorney and cracked down on illegal gambling and prostitution rings linked to Southern Illinois gangster Frank "Ruster" Wortman.

"Mr. Griffith was respected as a public official in the county," Ragsdale said.

Griffith was a lawyer for 45 years and a leader in the Illinois Bar Association and Madison County Bar Association to improve the legal system.

He loved his community and was active in the local American Red Cross, his friends said.

Griffith was a familiar face at the annual Madison County GOP Lincoln Day dinners.

"People looked up to Griffith. He'll be missed," Ragsdale said.

Revival slated at Foursquare

First Granite City Foursquare Church, 1200 Meridian, will hold a revival featuring David Mann of California Sunday through Thursday, June 15-19.

The service will begin at 6 p.m. Sunday, and at 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

During the revival, there will be a Children's Crusade in the Fellowship Hall for children younger than 13 featuring the Bay's, who will bring Bert and Ernie and their friends.

Kids Crusade at Rock Church

Rock Foursquare Church, 2400 E. 25th, is hosting a Kids Crusade featuring the Bay Family.

Puppets and songs will be included. The event kicks off at 6 p.m. Sunday, June 8, and will begin at 7 p.m. Monday through Friday, June 9-13.

Kids of all ages are welcome. Kenneth Dickerson is the pastor. Rock Foursquare Church.

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Baby facing heart surgery

Infant has already had two operations, heart attack

By Danette Fertig Thompson
Staff writer

Dawn Kiser took her infant son, Cameron, in for his two-week checkup, expecting nothing more than a routine visit to the doctor.

Hours later, doctors told her Cameron likely would die. The news their baby had a potentially fatal heart defect stunned Kiser and her

husband, Jim, residents of Cedar Hill, Mo.

The baby is the grandson of Mitchell residents Al and Rita Young.

"There's nothing I can compare it to because we've never been through anything like this before. We thought we had a perfect, healthy baby. We never expected this," Jim Kiser said. "But Cameron is still with us. He's a fighter and he's a tough little guy."

"What amazes me is how happy he is. After all he's been through, he still smiles and laughs all the time. He has so much personality. He makes you realize all your problems are meaningless. You appreciate what's important."

What's important now is helping Cameron reach the goal of doubling his birth weight of 7 pounds, 15 ounces so he's strong enough to undergo another heart surgery.

Cameron, now three months old, has already undergone two operations to keep his heart functioning and stable until he can undergo the second phase of a three-part surgical procedure.

The procedure is risky. It also may not be an option for him.

Between his first two surgeries, Cameron had a heart attack and the damage to his heart may be too great to be repaired.

The only alternative then, Kiser said, is a heart transplant.

"There are no long-term answers for us," she said. "Even if we get through this."

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Dance will help with costs

Family and friends of the Kiser family of Cedar Hill, Mo., are joining together to help ease the financial burden of baby Cameron's extensive medical care.

A dance has been scheduled in Madison later this month to help with the expenses.

Dawn Kiser has taken an unpaid leave of absence from her job at the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. to care for Cameron, cutting in half the family's income. And with additional surgeries in Cameron's future, Dawn Kiser isn't sure when she'll be able to return to work.

Cameron's grandmother, Connie Kiser, Cedar Hill, has helped to establish two benefit accounts for Cameron, at Eagle Bank in Cedar Hill and Boatmen's Bank in Pacific. Donations can be made to the Cameron Kiser Benefit Fund at either bank.

Connie Kiser said a benefit is also being organized for August.

She said St. Louis Cardinal pitcher Alan Benes, who lives in the Cedar Hill area, recently donated several items for the benefit.

A Chicken and Beer Dance has been scheduled for Saturday, June 28, at Amvets Hall, 1711 Kennedy Drive in Madison. It will be held from 7 p.m. to 12 midnight. A \$10 donation includes food, beer, soda and set-ups.

first stage, the risk is still going to be there. But a transplant is not a decision we want to have to make. We hope we won't have to choose, because if you have to choose, you never know if you've made the right choice."

Cameron came home from St. Louis Children's Hospital May 14 with oxygen and a feeding tube. The feeding tube is now gone, and Kiser said she hopes he'll be weaned off oxygen soon.

"When they hear how sick he is, people expect Cameron to look awful," Kiser said. "But he looks like any other three-month-old baby. It makes it harder, because he doesn't

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By Bob Slate
Staff writer

A 31-year-old man was injured in a morning while making a U-turn on Edwards Street at Granite Center. Catherine M. Cox was 80 years old when she was hit by a car Friday morning. Cox was 80 years old when she was hit by a car Friday morning. Cox was 80 years old when she was hit by a car Friday morning.

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Woman injured in car accident

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

A 31-year-old Madison woman was injured Thursday morning while trying to make a U-turn on Edwardsville Road near Granite City Steel.

Catherine M. Cox, of the 1700 block of Market Street in Madison, was listed in good condition Friday at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

Cox was southbound on 21st Street at Edwardsville Road at 9:15 a.m. Thursday when she decided to make a U-turn in Edwardsville Road and head

back north on 21st Street, according to a police report.

But after Cox pulled her white 1996 Chrysler Sebring across the westbound lanes of Edwardsville Road, her car was struck by an eastbound black 1991 GMC pickup truck driven by Donald W. Copledge, 60, of Glen Carbon.

Because the driver's door would not open due to severe damage and the passenger door would not open because of the utility pole, firefighters used a Hurst tool to extricate Cox from her car.

Cox was ticketed for failure to yield the right-of-way.



Emergency personnel work to extricate Catherine Cox from her car Thursday morning. (Staff photo by BOB SLATE)

Flag Day parade set for Saturday

The public is invited to join in the 7th annual Quad City Flag Day parade, which organizers say will be the biggest parade ever.

Churches, organizations and schools are invited to make some kind of Americanism theme with a truck, car, float, walking group, old car.

The parade will begin at 2 p.m. Saturday, June 14, behind Granite City Senior High School.

Line up time is 1 p.m. The parade route is GCCHS to 27th Street in Madison, Street to the War Memorial in front of SEMC.

For more information, contact Mary Scarsdale, 451-9626 or Jim Taylor, 931-4504.

Kindergarten registration Tuesday

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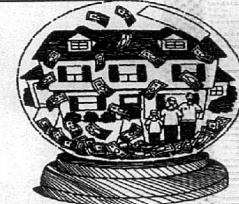
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Besserman honored by Century 21 Bailey

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Besserman, a lifelong resident of the area, joined the Century 21 system in 1995. Since starting his real estate career, Besserman earned the

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St. Clair County Intergovernmental Grants Department, Community Development Division is about to begin its 1997 Funding Round for its Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME and Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) programs and we want to hear from you! We would like to know what needs you and your community have.

We expect to receive \$3,042,000 for the CDBG program, \$943,000 for the HOME program, and \$59,000 for the ESG program. Please note that these figures are only estimates, the actual amounts are not available at this time.

Please come to our PUBLIC MEETING at the following places:

9:00 A.M. June 18, 1997, Callie Boyd Center, Centerville Illinois

1:00 P.M. June 18, 1997, Senior Center, Washington Park, Illinois

10:00 A.M. June 19, 1997 Marissa Township Bldg., Marissa, Illinois

All are welcome. We are interested in your statements and appreciate your input. It helps us to serve you and your community better. If you cannot make it to one of these meetings, please submit your written comments to us at:

St. Clair County Intergovernmental Grants Department, Community Development Division, 19 Public Square, Suite 200, Belleville, IL 62220. Phone calls should be directed to 277-6790, Community Development Division Attn. Vincent Kwiatkowski, PAU Manager.

Additional meetings will be held in various communities as the planning process continues.

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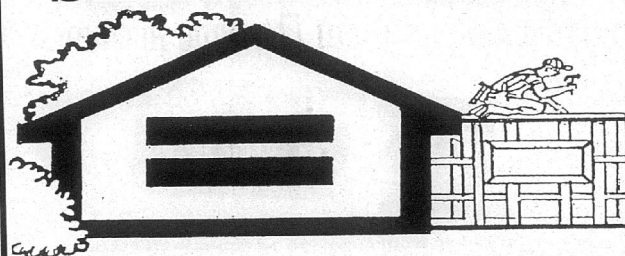
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•Magician

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who began reading magic books when he was 6.

Since then, he said, he has amassed a collection of more than 400 books that he regularly searches for new ideas.

"About 75 percent of my routines are inspired by ones that I've read in books but have adapted to fit my personality and performance style," he said.

The magician has been presenting a new version of the "Reading is Magic" show each year, and has been identified by librarians as the "reading magician," he said.

"I do read, and I am a magician, so I guess that makes me a reading magician," Egelston said. "But I do present different shows for

adult, children and family audiences."

One of his shows is "The Magic Is In You... Not Drugs," he said. The show is a school assembly program that delivers important messages about the dangers of using illegal drugs. He currently is presenting the ninth all-new version of that show this year.

"I don't lecture to the students," he said. "I want them to learn while they are laughing and having a good time during the show. The idea is to get them to realize that they can have fun without using drugs."

As a full-time professional entertainer, Egelston travels throughout Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, Kentucky and Tennessee. He performs for banquets, receptions, trade shows, school assemblies, library programs, business promotions, private parties, church events and variety shows.

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•Baby

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look sick."

Cameron is doing better than expected. In fact, Kisner says, one doctor described him as "unbelievable."

"But his heart could stop at any time," she said. "We live with that, so we spend as much time as possible with him."

Kisner, who also has an 11-year-old daughter and a 3-year-old son, says her family is blessed to have the support of family and friends, especially from mother-in-law Connie Kisner, who cares for her two elder children while Kisner tends to Cameron.

She also praises the doctors and nurses at Children's for helping make her family's hospital experience more bearable.

"I have no words to describe how caring and supportive they were," Kisner said. "They cried with us and watched over Cameron. They were always there. It helped us through more than we can say."

Now, Kisner said, all her family can do is wait. "You take for granted your children are always going to be there," she said. "But this has totally changed our lives. We don't do that any more."



Vanessa Vargo
Vargo to host video's debut

Singer and professional model Vanessa Vargo will host "Beauty and Mystery," a video by Tim Grotrian.

The video will debut from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. today, Sunday, in the Lewis Room, Pontbonne College Library, 6890 Wydown Blvd.

Vargo is a model in the video. She worked as a ring girl in the He-Man Boxing Tournament held recently at Wild Country in Collinsville.

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Bob and Loretta Marcus celebrate their 41st anniversary today, June 8.
Karl Shipley celebrates her 7th birthday today, June 8.
James M. and Helen Lipchik will celebrate their 63rd anniversary June 9.
Brianna Nichols will celebrate her 4th birthday June 9.
Cathy Carr will celebrate her birthday June 9.
Robert Bryant will celebrate his birthday June 9.
Sheryl Cook will celebrate her 36th birthday June 9.
Cally Laughlin will celebrate her 10th birthday June 10.
Gina Laub will celebrate her birthday June 10.
John Belusko will celebrate his 85th birthday June 10.

Jeff and Colleen Tretter will celebrate their 14th anniversary June 11.
John and Diane Curtin will celebrate their 14th anniversary June 11.
Sara Daniels will celebrate her 6th birthday June 11.
Eric Brinker will celebrate his 35th birthday June 11.
Kira Long will celebrate her 5th birthday June 11.
Richard and Ruby Ebershol will celebrate their anniversary June 12.
Merle Pashadag Jr. will celebrate his 22nd birthday June 12.
Chris and Diana Vangel will celebrate their 4th anniversary June 12.
Aaron Papp will celebrate

his 12th birthday June 12.
Evelyn A. Wilson will celebrate her 43rd birthday June 13.
Michael Milton will celebrate his 6th birthday June 14.
Joseph Bisto will celebrate his 35th birthday June 14.
Bob Daugherty will celebrate his 41st birthday June 14.
Tammy Downs will celebrate her 26th birthday June 14.
Reba Gortline will celebrate her birthday June 14.
Dannie Sipes Jr. will celebrate his 22nd birthday June 14.
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Angela Turner will celebrate her 15th birthday June 14.

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— From The Telegraph

•Doctorates

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I surveyed kindergarten through third grade in Madison County. I studied teachers and focused on math and science. I hope my research can be used to meet funding needs of the teachers and students in this particular area and can be used throughout the state of Illinois."

Balen, 49, said he thinks that school administrators have to set an example (in learning), "primarily for kids."

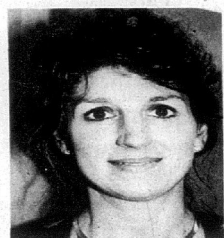
"The doctorate, of course, is the highest degree you can get," Balen said. "My father had a third-grade education. He came from Yugoslavia and always said, 'Learn as much as you can.'"

"You also have to have it to be a school administrator today," Balen said. "I know now I've done everything I can do at the university level."

For his dissertation, Balen studied whether students behave better with video cameras in a room or without them.

"The school district authorized placing video cameras in the school cafeteria in Coolidge Middle School," he said. "We were loaned video cameras for a year. To compare, we chose to study Grigsby students without video cameras."

Balen said he learned that misbehavior is reduced under surveillance, like throwing



Raelynn Parks



Hilda Everage

food, but it is not a deterrent in "mouthing off at a teacher."

"Pepperdine (University) offered to publish it (the dissertation)," he said. "It runs the National Center for School Safety."

Forty-three-year-old Parks, principal at Madison Middle School, said that earning her Ed.D. has "been a goal that I've had ever since I was in undergraduate school."

"It's helped me become a better administrator just by becoming more knowledgeable doing research and networking with other people in education," she said.

Parks' dissertation focused

on middle school practices on students attending a school designated as a poverty school, she said.

"I looked at some specific information obtained from middle school students before and after (they attended) middle school," she said.

"As a result, the school became a Carnegie School, which makes it eligible for more benefits."

Ganschietz, who practiced student teaching at Venice and then taught at Granite City before he became principal at Collinsville High School, studied perceptions of principalship and implications for the training of principals.

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Sunday, June 8
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outlet. Show talents with great success, as the moon is in inventive Leo. Mercury enters Gemini later this evening, opening communication to flirty fun. Try not to take

things too literally or you may be disappointed — and more importantly, you'll miss the fun of what could be. **ARIES** (March 21-April 19). An affair begun is unstoppable. Hold off making demands. Enjoy the fun of family but avoid serious discussions, and don't lose patience when no one wants to help you with chores. **TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). Next week brings a new job or assignment, and there's much to learn. Someone is totally enamored of you. If your family is keeping a secret from you, it's because they think you'd be opposed to the plan. **GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Charm makes you highly persuasive. Traditional gatherings are the place to find new romance. Care for someone much older or younger. Devote yourself to helping others have some fun. **CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Take on new challenges. Keeping your nose to the grindstone is lucky for you now — your reputation for delivering the goods soon brings profits or a promotion. The kitchen is cozy, even if the weather is warm. **LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Your house of intimacy is lit. Fuss over those you love. Through Tuesday, hold your tongue if criticisms are all you can think to say. A friend has you in mind for a new job. For special treat time, play a sport with kids. **TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (June 8). You can truly get ahead now. A change in outlook makes a subtle but profound difference. Be willing to stand alone in July. A vacation in September is lucky — singles begin meaningful relationships, perhaps with Cancans or Libras. Visits to and from relatives are necessary in November. Weddings are hard to avoid before the year's end. **VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Use your imagination sparingly. Love may include someone older, maybe even the boss. Handle vehicles with care.

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The plans for the 1997 Miss and Little Miss Madison County Fair pageants, which will be held July 20, are well under way. Pageant Director Wendy Hartlieb of Highland recently released information for those interested in entering the pageants. To enter the Miss Madison County Fair pageant, participants must be between the ages of 16 and 21 (contestants can't reach 21 before Jan. 1, 1998). They must be a resident or attend school in Madison County, must not be a parent and must not be married. For information, call Hartlieb at 664-5089 after 6 p.m. Practices will begin in mid-June. The Little Miss candidates must be entering kindergarten this fall and residents of Madison County. The Little Miss pageant is limited to 25 contestants. If more than 25 entries are received, a drawing will be held on Wednesday, June 11, at the Madison County Fairgrounds to determine the contestants. To enter, send the contestant's name, where she'll attend kindergarten this fall, her birthday, parent/guardian's name and phone number to Little Miss Madison County Fair, 1307 Lindenthal Ave., Highland, IL 62249. Hartlieb recommends that parents not purchase anything for the pageant until they find out if their child is a contestant.

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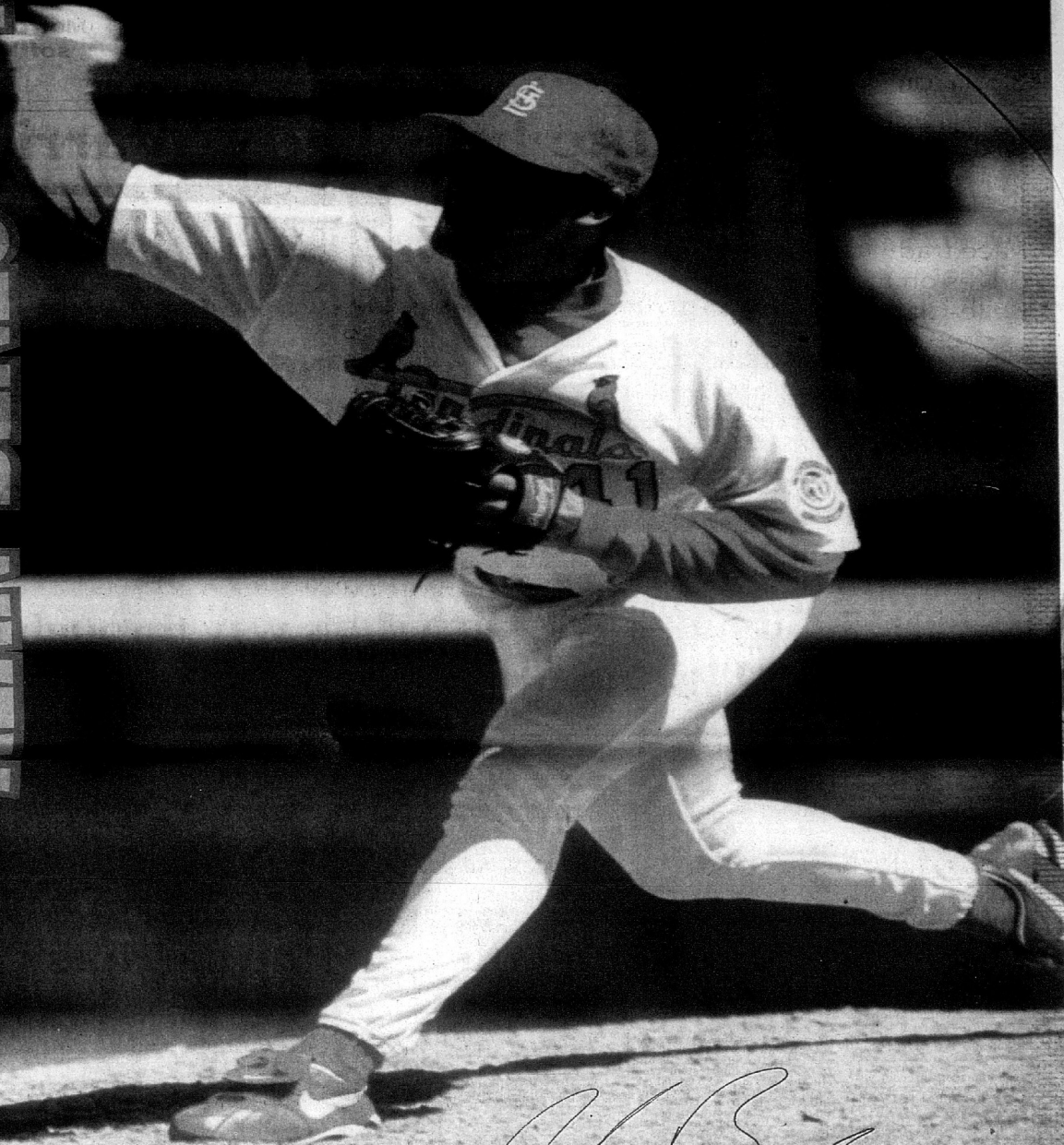
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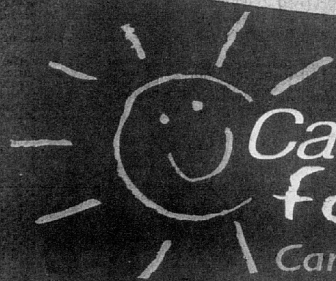
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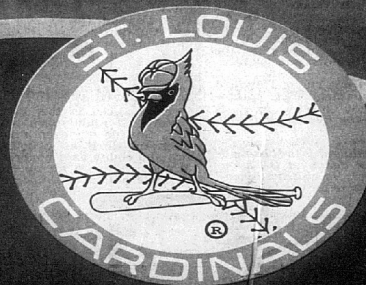
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Section B

Sunday, June 8, 1997

Art
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Race tradition drives on at Belle-Clair

By now you well realize Gateway International Raceway in Madison became a hit with the inaugural Motorola 300.

My fear is that interest in the big-time track might take some racing fans from the smaller tracks like Belle-Clair Speedway in Belleville.

It took nearly 30 years for big-time racing to return to Illinois. Surely, you did not forget the Du Quoin Fairgrounds and the race won by Al Unser Sr.?

Yet, since 1947, dirt track racing has existed at Belle-Clair Speedway, where some of the top late model and modified stock car drivers in the country compete.

Every Friday night from mid-April to Sept. 5, the action is exciting at Belle-Clair and the ticket prices are most reasonable. Consider \$9 for adults, \$6 for ages 12-17, \$3 for ages 5-11 and free for children under 5, and you can appreciate the bargain that begins with qualifying events.

As a youngster I was fortunate to see the likes of Arnie Knepper race sprint cars at Belle-Clair. Actually there were few like the late Arnie, since he made it to the Indianapolis 500 and raced in that event five times from 1965-69.

To appreciate how far racing speeds have progressed, consider that in 1967, when Knepper finished 22nd at Indy (with 158 laps completed), he qualified at a speed of 162.900 mph.

This year's Indy pole sitter, Arnie Luyendyk, qualified at 218.263 and holds the track record of 236.986. Motorola winner Paul Tracy qualified at Gateway at 187.739.

OVERTIME: The Illinois High School Association recently confirmed the move of five high schools from Class A to AA enrollment, including Belleville Althoff, Herrin, Mahomet-Seymour, Olney and Stanford Olympia.

With 741 the minimum enrollment for a Class AA school, I wondered if other area schools might follow the jump from small to big school status. According to 1997 enrollments, the closest to 741 are Wood River (695), Freeburg (657), and Roxana (611).

Since the 1991-92 school year, when the decisive number was 645, the enrollment divider has been 654, 655, 664, 710, and 721 (in 1996-97).

At Herrin, Mike Newbold, the school's boys basketball coach and athletic director, indicated that a larger freshman class was responsible for the move to Class AA, which he expects to be "a one or two-year thing."

"From a basketball standpoint, we're a little disappointed," Newbold said. "We'd certainly much rather play in a Class A regional than a AA sectional complex."

"If we were in Class AA to stay, we'd want to play the Mount Vernon and Centralias."

By saying such, Newbold hints at playing larger competition that might mean a return to the South Seven Conference.

(Art Voellinger is the baseball and soccer coach at O'Fallon High School. He writes a twice-weekly column for the Journal.)

Palatine lulls Lady Warriors 3-1

Pirates stun GCHS at state

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

NAPERVILLE — The Granite City Lady Warriors picked the worst possible time to play their worst game of the year, losing to Palatine 3-1 in Friday's quarterfinal round of the Illinois girls state soccer tournament at Naperville Central High School.

"I don't think we played worse in any game this year," said Granite City coach Gene Baker. "We played horrible. We've beaten a dozen teams better than Palatine. That's taking nothing away from them, that's just telling the way it is. We had an absolutely terrible game."

GCHS was in trouble just 4:44 into the game. All-star Kathleen Schager, the Pirates' leading scorer on the season, received a corner kick from Annmarie Vecchiola and threaded it into the goalpost for a 1-0 Palatine lead.

The Lady Warriors (22-3-1) held the upper hand through the next 20 minutes. But the Pirates' size and strength, as

Illinois state tournament
Friday, June 6
at Naperville Central H.S.
Game 1: Lyons Township 2, Peoria Notre Dame 0
Game 2: Winnetka New Trier 2, Orland Park Sandburg 1 (2 OT)
Game 3: Palatine 3, Granite City 1
Game 4: Libertyville vs. St. Charles, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 7
Game 5: Lyons Township vs. Winnetka New Trier, 9 a.m.
Game 6: Palatine vs. Game 4 winner, 11 a.m.
Third place: Game 5 loser vs. Game 6 loser, 5 p.m.
State championship: Game 5 winner vs. Game 6 winner, 7 p.m.

well as their impressive hustle, kept GCHS from stringing together enough passes to sustain an attack.

Jaimie Dellbringe, Erica Todd and Ismahane Mohsen had Granite City's only three shots on goal in the first half. And for the only time on the season, the Lady Warriors were outshot for the game.

Meanwhile, the Pirates (20-6-1) could manage only (See LADY WARRIORS, Page 3B)



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESI)

Crystal Timmons settles the ball in front of the net during the Lady Warriors' 2-1 victory over Quincy Notre Dame Tuesday.

Gibault's Friedrich slugs way through sectional

By Garen Vartanian
Staff writer

In both ends of the Marissa Class A Sectional last week, Gibault's Adam Friedrich was truly "en fuego."

The senior catcher went 6-for-6 with nine RBIs, leading the Hawks past Freeburg (5-4) and Nashville (12-4) for their first-ever sectional championship.

"Adam's come through. He's really turned it on," Gibault coach Steve King said of Friedrich, the Illinois Journal's Athlete of the Week. "And he's done an outstanding job. It's important that the whole team gets credit, though, because everybody has to be on base for him to excel."

"But Adam's played well. He

has just excelled at the bat, come on strong and shown quality senior leadership."

Friedrich, a righthanded slugger, was simply a terror at Marissa.

With the Hawks trailing Freeburg 2-1 in the bottom of the seventh in the semifinals May 31, Friedrich's RBI single drew Gibault (25-9) even.

An inning later, his bases-loaded safety plated Brian Unger and lifted the Hawks to victory.

Against Nashville on Tuesday, Friedrich's mammoth three-run, opposite field round-tripper in the top of the first staked Gibault to a 3-0 lead. The Hawks went on to win advance to the Illinois state tournament this weekend.

"He laid it right in there for



Athlete of the Week

me," Friedrich said. "And I was seeing the ball real well. And I just stuck my bat out and hit it solid."

"I was taking some extra

BP (batting practice) all day and was seeing the ball really well. And it really helps. You just get more confidence the more balls you see, and you really feel good."

His RBI single in the fifth made it 9-2, and Friedrich capped perfect back-to-back games with a two-run safety in the following frame.

"I would have figured a game much more like that against Freeburg," Friedrich said. "Close, down to the wire. But we came out and hit the ball good. We've been coming from behind all year long. We just came out, and we just started right off the bat hitting the ball hard."

Friedrich was busy behind the plate as well, twice setting (See FRIEDRICH, Page 3B)

Seniors run course with Warriors

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

Granite City came up short in qualifying athletes for the Illinois state track and field meets held at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston. Stephanie Brandt, who finished sixth in the discus, was the only athlete from GCHS to qualify for state competition.

"I was disappointed," said Brandt, who threw 127 feet, 7 inches in the finals. "I was throwing in the 130s in warm-ups. But, for some reason, I couldn't reach that level in actual state competition."

It was a let down because my throws were getting consistently better all season long. But just qualifying for state four years in a row has been a tremendous experience."

Brandt placed in the discus at state all four years with GCHS. She placed seventh as a freshman, third as a sophomore and eighth as a junior.

Brandt will be a member of the Eastern Illinois University track team next season and



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESI)

Senior members of the GCHS track team include (front row from left) David Zellerman, Heather Mell, Curtis Howard, Marcie Meyer, George Wolfe and (back row) Stephanie Brandt, Alex Bausch, Kelly Huckelberry, Tony Evans, Robert Lampitt and Beth Feenstra.

has been invited to participate in the national track and field championships at the University of North Carolina at Raleigh on June 13 and 14.

"Stephanie Brandt is an outstanding athlete and an outstanding young lady," said GCHS coach Gene Briggs. "She has been outstanding in

the discus for four years and has been all-state for four years. I'm not sure there's another athlete in Granite City (See SENIORS, Page 3B)

Youth golf event set for June 17

By Shawn Fusco
Staff writer

For evidence of the increasing popularity of golf among youngsters, look no further than the Gateway PGA's Clubs For Kids program.

The event has grown tremendously in the past two years and organizers have an eye on making it even bigger in the future.

This year's Clubs For Kids event is set for June 17 at Buder Park. And it is expected to draw in the neighborhood of 1,500 participants, which was last year's registration total.

That's quite an increase from the 900 participants in 1995.

"As the years go, I'd like to make it a huge fair," said Shannon Miller, director of administration of the Gateway Section of the PGA.

Miller took over the program two years ago. She has seen amazing growth in recent years for the 17- (See GOLF, Page 3B)

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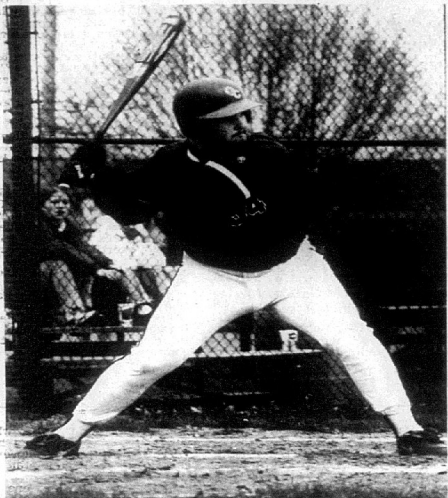
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Ryan Relleke looks for a pitch to hit.

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CLASS A
Pinckneyville Sectional
Saturday, May 31
Game 1: Lebanon 1, Sparta 0
Game 2: Bunker Hill 6, Gibault 4

Monday, June 2
Championship: Lebanon 2, Bunker Hill 1

State tournament
Thursday, June 5
At Mineral Springs Park, Pekin
Game 1: Carrollton vs. Westmont, 11:30 a.m.
Game 2: Casey-Westfield vs. Macomb, 1 p.m.
Game 3: Lebanon vs. Rock Island, 2 p.m.
Game 4: St. Joseph-Ogden vs. Carmi, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, June 6
Game 5: Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner, 10 a.m.
Game 6: Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 winner, 11:30 a.m.
Third place: Game 5 loser vs. Game 6 loser, 5 p.m.
State championship: Game 5 winner vs. Game 6 winner, 7 p.m.

CLASS AA
Belleville East Regional
Thursday, May 29
Game 1: Belleville East 24, East St. Louis 1

Game 2: Waterloo 2, Mascoutah 0
Game 3: Belleville West 20, East St. Louis Lincoln 0 (5 inn.)
Game 4: O'Fallon 3, Cahokia 0

Saturday, May 31
Game 5: Belleville East 7, Waterloo 1
Game 6: Belleville West 1, O'Fallon 0

Championship: Belleville West 4, Belleville East 2

Edwardsville Regional
Thursday, May 29
Game 1: Edwardsville 10, Collinsville 0
Game 2: Jerseyville 5, Alton 1
Game 3: Civic Memorial 18, Granite City 1 (5 inn.)
Game 4: Highland 8, Triad 7 (10 inn.)

Saturday, May 31
Game 5: Edwardsville 5, Jerseyville 1
Game 6: Highland 2, Civic Memorial 0

Championship: Edwardsville 9, Highland 4

TRACK

Class AA Boys State Meet
May 31 at Charleston
Team Scores
1. Roselle Lake Park 56; 2. Hoffman Estates 37; 3. New Lenox Lincoln-Way 33; 4. Naperville North 32; 5. Bolingbrook 26; 6. Zion-Benton 24; 7. Chicago St. Rita and Peoria Manual 20; 8. Springfield Southeast 19; 9. Harvey Thornton, Joliet 18; 10. Elmhurst York 17; 11. Springfield Sacred Heart-Griffin 16; 14. Wheaton Warrenville South 15; 15. LaGrange Lyons, Peoria 13; 17. Carol Stream Glenbard North, Danville 12; 19. East St. Louis, Sycamore, Wheeling 11; 22. Bensenville Fenton, Decatur MacArthur, Palatine, Salem 10; 26. DeKalb, Downers Grove North 9; 28. Bloomington, Evanston, Joliet Catholic, Northlake Leyden, Park Ridge Maine East, West Chicago 8; Triad 4; O'Fallon 2.

Individual Results
Phillips, Decatur MacArthur, 23:24; 2. Chris Pantassel, Joliet Catholic, 23:04; 3. Quade Moore, Zion-Benton, 23:04; 4. Nate Norman, Princeton, 23:15; 5. Gabe Rutledge, Lincoln, 23:14; 6. Chris Stalder, Chicago Leo, 22:54; 7. Roni Rhodes, Kankakee, 22:54; 8.

Luke Drzewiecki, Wheaton-Warrenville South, 22:4; 9. Ryan Williams, Sycamore, 22:4; 10. Andrew Vanderhagen, Downers Grove North, 22:14; 11. Scott Compton, Belleville East, 21:54.

Pole vault — 1. Burt Holloway, Roselle Lake Park, 14.9; 2. Dan Harrell, Danville, 14.4; 3. Dan Fay, Sycamore, 14.0; 4. Adam Wittman, Marion, 14.0; 5. Lance Skinsky, Bensenville Fenton, 14.0; 6. Josh Stroot, Peoria, 13.9; 7. Steve Nelson, Rockford East, 13.6; 8. Pat Bremer, Oak Park Fenwick, 13.6.

High jump — 1. Quade Moore, Zion-Benton, 6.2; 2. Andrew Vanderhagen, Downers Grove North, 5.9; 3. Jared Fals, Effingham, 5.4; 4. Doran Chancey, DeKalb, 6.6; 5. Justin Young, Dixon, 9.4; 6. Antoine Comen, South Holland Thornwood, 6.6; 7. DeShawn Northern, Harvey Thornton, 6.5; 8. Gabe Rutledge, Lincoln, 6.3.

Shot put — 1. Ryan Diem, Carol Stream Glenbard North 59-6; 2. Jason Bogan, Northlake Leyden, 56-1; 3. Dan Nyblom, Burbank St. Laurence 58-14; 4. Kyle Jakubek, Ottawa, 57-24; 5. Mike Minton, Salem, 56-74; 6. Ted Cnota, Hoffman Estates, 56-44; 7. Dan Collins, LaGrange Lyons, 55-104; 8. Scott Thies, Aurora West, 55-5.

PREP BASEBALL

CLASS A
Alton Marquette Regional
Tuesday, May 20
Game 1: Wood River 8, Valmeyer 6
Game 2: Metro East Lutheran 23, Lovejoy 0 (5 inn.)

Thursday, May 22
Game 3: Gibault 6, Wood River 3
Game 4: Alton Marquette 8, Duplo 3
Game 5: Althoff 12, Metro East Lutheran 2
Game 6: Roxana 12, Columbia 0 (5 inn.)

Saturday, May 24
at Gordon Moore Park
Game 7: Gibault 5, Alton Marquette 3 (8 inn.)
Game 8: Roxana 2, Althoff 1

Tuesday, May 27
Championship: Gibault 7, Roxana 0

Marissa Sectional
Saturday, May 31
Game 1: Gibault 5, Freeburg 4 (8 inn.)
Game 2: Nashville 7, Wesclin 2

Tuesday, June 3
Championship: Gibault 12, Nashville 4

State tournament
Friday, June 6
at Lanphier Park, Springfield
Game 1: Rock Island-Allema vs. Stanfort Olympia, 10 a.m.
Game 2: Teutopolis vs. Addison

Discoll, 12:30 p.m.
Game 3: Gibault (25-9) vs. Olney East Richard (21-7), 3 p.m.
Game 4: Seneca vs. Williamsville, 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 7
Game 5: Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner, 9 a.m.
Game 6: Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 winner, 11 a.m.
Third place: Game 5 loser vs. Game 6 loser, 3 p.m.
State championship: Game 5 winner vs. Game 6 winner, 7 p.m.

CLASS AA
Granite City Regional
Thursday, May 29
Game 1: Civic Memorial 6, Granite City 2

Saturday, June 7
at Granite City
Game 2: Edwardsville 10, Civic Memorial 0 (5 inn.)
Game 3: Alton 10, Jerseyville 0 (5 inn.)

Tuesday, June 3
Championship: Edwardsville 8, Alton 0

Centralia Regional
Thursday, May 29
Game 1: Triad 14, Centralia 13 (9 inn.)
Game 2: O'Fallon 5, Mascoutah 4

Monday, June 2
at Kaskaskia College
Game 3: Triad 8, Belleville East 6

Tuesday, June 3

Civic Memorial Sectional
at Gordon Moore Park
Saturday, June 7
Game 1: Belleville West (27-4) vs. Mt. Zion (26-5), 10 a.m.
Game 2: Edwardsville (30-9) vs. Murphysboro (17-10), 12:30 p.m.

Monday, June 9
Championship: Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2, 4 p.m.

State tournament
Thursday, June 12
At Mineral Springs Park, Pekin
Game 1: Aurora East Sectional winner vs. St. Charles Sectional winner, 1 p.m.
Game 2: DeKalb Sectional winner vs. Civic Memorial Sectional winner, 1 p.m.
Game 3: South Holland Thornwood Sectional winner vs. Chicago Public League winner, 6 p.m.
Game 4: Barrington Sectional winner vs. Rantoul Sectional winner, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, June 13
Game 5: Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner, 10 a.m.
Game 6: Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 winner, 11:30 a.m.
Third place: Game 5 loser vs. Game 6 loser, 5 p.m.
State championship: Game 5 winner vs. Game 6 winner, 7 p.m.



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Chrissy Greathouse tries to beat the throw.

Journal Writers' Poll Baseball

LARGE SCHOOLS

1. Edwardsville (33-3).....70
 2. Belleville East (25-8).....60
 3. Francis Howell (21-9).....58
 4. SLUH (14-7).....48
 5. Parkway North (18-9).....34
 6. Francis Howell N. (21-5).....29
 7. Fox (18-9).....20
 8. Oakville (17-7-1).....17
 9. McCluer (18-6).....16
 10. Parkway West (15-14).....14
- Also receiving votes: Belleville West, Northwest, Pattonville, Collinsville, Hillsboro, Ft. Zumwalt South

SMALL SCHOOLS

1. Windsor (20-4).....69
 2. Elstroom Stadium, Geneva
 3. St. Charles (15-6).....56
 4. Eureka (18-5).....49
 5. St. Mary's (19-3).....43
 6. John Burroughs (13-9).....37
 7. Wesclin (18-4).....32
 8. Crystal City (17-7).....17
 9. Lutheran South (19-7).....13
 10. Valley Park (18-5).....6
- Also receiving votes: Affton, Clayton, Rosary

Journal Writers' Poll Girls Soccer

Week of June 4

1. Francis Howell North (22-4-1).....66
 2. Granite City (21-3).....53
 3. (tie) St. Joseph's (21-5-1).....49
 3. (tie) Lafayette (19-3-4).....49
 5. Incarnate Word (30-2).....47
 6. Nerinx Hall (14-8-5).....28
 7. Notre Dame (18-6-2).....27
 8. Visitation (16-9-3).....23
 9. Cor Jesu (14-6-3).....12
 10. St. Charles West (18-6-2).....9
- Also receiving votes: McMiller North, Collinsville, Mehlville, Rockwood Summit

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Southwestern Conference		
Team	Conf	Overall
Belleville East	13-2	24-2
Edwardsville	11-3	31-3
Alton	9-4	25-4
Belleville West	8-6	17-6
Collinsville	7-7	21-9
Granite City	7-7	21-9
East St. Louis	3-9	21-3
ESL Lincoln	0-12	5-17
Mississippi Valley		
Team	Conf	Overall
Highland	10-2	20-10
Roxana	9-3	17-13
Jerseyville	6-5	18-15
Triad	5-5	16-16
Civic Memorial	4-6	10-10
Mascoutah	3-7	10-15
Wood River	0-10	1-16
Cahokia		
Team	Conf	Overall
Wesclin	9-1	22-11
Waterloo	8-1	18-7
New Athens	8-1	18-7
Freeburg	6-4	21-15
Dupo	5-5	18-16
Marissa	5-5	18-16
Columbia	4-6	10-11
St. Charles	4-6	11-13
Lebanon	2-8	5-15
Red Bud	2-8	5-15
Breece C	0-10	3-25

PREP SOCCER

Granite City Sectional
Saturday, May 24
Game 1: Granite City 10, East St. Louis Lincoln 2
Game 2: Belleville West 2, Metro East Lincoln 1 (OT)
Game 3: Collinsville 11, Carbon Dale 0
Game 4: Triad 8, Gibault 2
Game 5: Althoff 7, Marion 0
Game 6: Belleville East 3, Roxana 0
Game 7: O'Fallon 13, Cahokia 0
Game 8: Edwardsville 6, Breece C 0

Tuesday, May 27
Game 9: Granite City 8, Belleville West 0
Game 10: Collinsville 3, Triad 1
Game 11: Belleville East 2, Althoff 1
Game 12: O'Fallon 5, Edwardsville 0

Thursday, May 29
at Granite City
Game 13: Granite City 1, Collinsville 1 (4-2 PKs)
Game 14: O'Fallon 2, Belleville East 0

Saturday, May 31
Championship: Granite City 5, O'Fallon 1

Collinsville Super-Sectional
Tuesday, June 3
Championship: Granite City 2, Quincy Notre Dame 1

State tournament
Friday, June 6
at Naperville Central H.S.
Game 1: Lyons Township vs. Peoria Notre Dame, 12:30 p.m.
Game 2: O'Fallon Park Sandburg vs. Winnetka New Trier, 2:30 p.m.

Game 3: Granite City vs. Palatine, 5:30 p.m.
Game 4: Libertyville vs. St. Charles, 7:30 p.m.

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down starting and winning pitcher Unger during potentially dangerous situations. And when the dust settled, the lefty had a complete game five-hitter, leaving King satisfied with the chemistry between his battery.

"Him and Adam work real well as far as location and mixing speeds," King said. "So I was pleased with that."

All in all, Friedrich has tortured opposing pitchers all season, batting over .450 with 50-plus RBIs.

"He's been hitting the ball very well this year," King said. "He's hitting it where it's pitched. He's got power to right center, which means he's got a good swing, and he's watching the ball well, and he's making good contact."

Golf

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year-old event.

The Gateway Section has already received more than 800 participants for this year. And the Gateway PGA is ready for the flood of calls that come in before the event.

"We're encouraging people to call," Miller said.

The event is free. Each child (ages 6-14) who attends will receive a free golf club, a lesson from a Gateway PGA golf professional and a variety of other items.

The clinic is sponsored by the Suburban Journals,

"It's a good situation. He's having a great season, and I'm happy for him. He's been consistent, and he's just made great improvements this year, and he's kept building on it."

Amid his success, Friedrich, who also plays soccer and basketball at Gibault, is quick to praise his teammates.

"Everybody came through (in our lineup)," he said. "It's confidence knowing that everybody in your lineup is going to be able to come through with a hit if you don't. There's not as much pressure. You just get up there and hit the ball."

(Each week one prep varsity athlete will be selected by the Journal sports staff as the Illinois Journals Athlete of the Week. Selected athletes will be featured in newspapers throughout the Journals' coverage area.)

KTVI/Channel 2, the Gateway PGA, Coca-Cola and the St. Louis County Department of Parks and Recreation.

Appearances will be made by St. Louis Blues right winger Brett Hull, Jay Randolph Jr. of KFNS-AM, Pete Peterson of KTVI and Divot of the Clown.

Registration begins at 9 a.m.

The Gateway PGA hopes to use this year's Clubs for Kids as a springboard for the program for years to come.

"I'd love to make it 2,000 (participants). I'd love to make it 5,000," Miller said. "I want each kid to walk away with a club and a smile."

Lady Warriors

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four first-half shots on goal, but beat Roth on two of them. Vechiola, who was 12 yards from the goal on the left side, sent the pass of the game out of the box to Suzanne Ternes — who fired from 26 yards straight on, sneaking the ball between Roth and the crossbar.

Palatine led 2-0 at the half.

The Lady Warriors came out aggressively to start the second half, but Palatine was content to play a defensive dump-and-chase game while applying physical pressure.

"They were big and physical, and did a lot of grabbing and shirt-pulling, and a lot of kicking at the heels," Dellbringer said. "And when we got a through ball, they'd be grabbing us. And it wears you out so much that it's hard to get passes together. And everyone is sort of dragging behind."

The Lady Warriors played valiantly in the second half. But when Vechiola found Renne Ripp open 20 yards, she had her third assist of the night, and the Pirates had an insurmountable 3-0 advantage.



Amanda Nizinski (left) ties up Collinsville's Cara LeMaster during the Lady Warriors' sectional win last week.

Roxie Simpson nailed a direct free kick from 24 yards with 49 seconds remaining for

ski. "But that's not what beat us. We got beat because we weren't playing together as a team."

"We should have won," Simpson said. "We're a better team than they are. I think some of our players may have quit at the end."

Baker was more philosophical.

"A true barometer of a team is not their final game," he said. "The girls are really wounded by this experience right now. But we had a great year."

The seniors stepped forward all year and did what we needed them to do. We'll really miss them. They're great kids. And because of them, we had a great year."

In other games Friday, Lyons Township defeated Peoria Notre Dame 2-0 and Winnetka New Trier eliminated Orland Park Sandberg 2-1 in double overtime. Lyons Township met New Trier in the state semifinals Saturday morning.

In the other semifinal, Palatine was scheduled to play the winner of Friday's late-game between Libertyville and St. Charles, the defending state champion.

Seniors

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High School history who has participated at state in each of his or her four years of high school. It's a testimony to Stephanie's ability."

Along with Brandt, the Warriors lose 10 other seniors to graduation. Though the numbers are small, the impact made by those seniors over the past year has been great.

"I imagine that over 50 percent of our points in boys meets have been earned by our seniors," Briggs said. And, among the girls, that figure is probably in excess of 60 percent. We don't have a lot of seniors, but they have made a lot of difference."

Alex Bausch, a strong middle distance runner for the Warriors, was injured early and, as a result, wasn't able to contribute to the program as significantly as expected.

"Alex is a great athlete with a great personality," Briggs said. "He is a hard worker and is willing to help anyone, anywhere, at any time."

Bausch, the GCHS soccer team's goalkeeper last fall, is headed for Wright State University in Dayton, Ohio.

Kelly Huckelberry was a GCHS co-captain and one of the top hurdlers in all of southern Illinois. What many may not realize is that Huckelberry

was also strong in the middle distance.

"You could pretty much count on him to score points in his events," Briggs said. Though he is not certain he wants to continue running in college, Huckelberry will attend Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, where he will major in computer engineering.

Tony Evans' senior season was his first year of track and field at the high school level. Briggs described Evans as "a good high jumper and good distance runner. He worked hard for everything he got this year. He was a fierce competitor and is a great young man."

Evans, who says he has his future mapped out, will attend St. Louis University and major in pre-veterinary medicine and Spanish. He will then be off to the University of Illinois veterinary school.

Robert Lampitt was a distance runner who competed in the half-mile on up. He was also a member of the Warriors' 4x800 relay team. He will attend Illinois and major in computer science.

"Robert was a great senior leader," Briggs said. He contributed what you expect experienced seniors to contribute, and even more. He led by example. He works hard every day."

Senior weight thrower Beth Feenstra is a high school career somewhat in the shadow of Brandt, but was a capable athlete in her own right. Unsure of a college choice, Feenstra is leaning toward SIUE.

"Beth was one of very few to place at sectionals each year of her high school career," Briggs said. "She improved steadily each year she was out and this year she just missed qualifying for state."

Marcie Meyer will also attend SIUE and is thinking seriously about a career in teaching. At GCHS, she ran the 4x100, the 4x200 and the 4x400. Meyer was the team's top sprinter and quarter-miler, and improved her times with each meet.

"By the time she reached the sectionals, she was posting her fastest times of the year," Briggs said. "She has been extremely valuable to our program. We'll miss her."

Heather Mell struggled against knee problems this spring, but Briggs said, "She never used that as an excuse not to do her best in practice or in a meet."

Mell was a distance runner whose strength was the 800, and she was also a member of the mile relay team. Mell was probably the most versatile of all the Lady Warriors and will leave behind tough shoes to fill. She will attend SIUE.

George Wolfe ran legs in the 4x400 and 4x800 relays and also competed in the triple jump.

"He was our best triple jumper," Briggs said. "George was a very valuable member of our team. But his true strength was his determination as an athlete."

"I was disappointed not to

make state," said Wolfe, who was running and jumping his best in the sectional. Following school, Wolfe plans a stint in the U.S. Marine Corps.

Curie Howard was "one of the top sprinters in southern Illinois," Briggs said. His preliminary event was the 100, where he ran fifth in the sectional with a time of 11 seconds flat — just two-tenths of a second shy of the state qualifying time.

Howard was also an invaluable member of the 4x100 and 4x200 relay teams. He plans to attend Lewis & Clark Community College, where he will play soccer.

David Zellerman was a key member of several relay squads, three of which placed in the sectional.

"He made tremendous strides this year," Briggs said. "He is a very strong young man, and that is one of the things that helped him as both a sprinter and a middle distance runner."

Zellerman is planning on college, but has not yet decided where he will attend.

Briggs is also losing a valuable assistant in team manager Jeanie York, another senior.

"She is an extraordinary young lady," Briggs said. "She willingly put in extra time to make sure everything ran smoothly. She was our behind-the-scenes organizer."

Looking back on the season, Briggs said, "What we were trying to accomplish, we did accomplish. Our goal is to build a competitive track program in a conference as good as any in the state. What we've started, we can continue. It will hurt to lose these quality seniors, but our returning kids have a lot of talent."

Yes! I would like to register for the Coca-Cola Gateway PGA Clubs for Kids Clinic on June 17 at Buder Park.

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Glen Carbon fest June 14

Like most Americans, Glen Carbon's early settlers came from foreign lands looking for a better life. They worked the coal mines and the brickyards and dreamed of bigger and better for their children and grandchildren.

The next generations will celebrate that early struggle in June with a Rediscovering Glen Carbon festival featuring the dedication of the award-winning bell tower restored to the 1910 Village Hall.

"We want people to remember their backgrounds and rediscover the past," village historian Marilyn Sule said.

Sule is working with Joyce Williams and the Glen Carbon Historical Preservation Commission to plan a full day of activities June 14 with ethnic food sampling, student art contest, historic trail walk and ice cream social. Civic and social groups may join the celebration with food booths and concessions that fit the theme, she said.

"The people who came here had very little, but they all worked very hard. They were survivors, and their children and grandchildren are teachers and professionals and doctors," she said.

The celebration grew out of a desire to form a dedicated new bronze bell and tower that were reconstructed as a replica of the original cast iron bell, which experts feared would crack with the first ringing, remains on display in front of the Glen Carbon Fire Protection District's building.

A new bell went up with the new tower, but officials waited until spring for a formal dedication. The all-volunteer effort by Ken Trebing, Dave Lawson, John Farmer, Randy Leitner, Will Shashack and Frank Slinhard began with an old photo of the village hall and took three years of after hours and Saturdays to finish. The project won a state preservation award and the Goshen Preservation Award from the Goshen Preservation Alliance.

"The bell tower was a marvelous idea, and we wanted to celebrate with a rediscovering Glen Carbon program," Sule said.

"It's been five years since the village's centennial, and a lot has happened in that time."

The festival begins with the formal dedication at 9 a.m. June 14, followed by an open house at the Glen Carbon Centennial Library and Historical Museum at 10 a.m.

The ice cream social, sponsored by St. Thomas Episcopal Church, gets underway at 11 a.m. Brochures to take visitors on a walking tour of the town's historic buildings will be available throughout the day, and special events will be held at the restored Yanda Log Cabin, built in 1853 by Bohemian immigrants William Yanda and his wife, Annie Zeola.

— From The Telegraph

Shrine Circus coming to St. Louis June 19-22

The Moolah Shrine Circus will give eight performances June 19 through 22, featuring the Royal Hanneford Circus.

Long considered the "Royal Family of the Circus," the Hanneford family holds an unbroken span of circus history dating from the 1890s. A well-known producer of Shrine circuses and other circus extravaganzas, Tommy Hanneford has created the traditional family circus of performers who wow audiences with astonishing feats and extravagant production numbers.

This year's Moolah Shrine Circus highlights include Lance Ramos and his Ferocious Felines, the tumbling and twisting of The Moroccan Connection, the breathtaking maneuvers of the Centroz Motorcycle, the equestrian elegance of Miss Sylvia Zerbini and Swaypole Sensations, the Nerveless Nocks and Winn Troupe.

The circus will kick off with the traditional Moolah Shrine Circus night parade through downtown St. Louis June 18. Beginning at about 8 p.m. at Busch Stadium and proceeding west on Market Street, the annual Shrine Parade will feature bands, motorcycles, horse troops, the Shrine mini-cars and lighted parade floats.

The eighth edition of the Moolah Shrine Circus will be for the benefit of the Moolah Shrine Temple to support its fraternal activities. Purchases



One of the cats featured in the Hanneford Family Circus act Lance Ramos and his Ferocious Felines. The Hanneford circus is featured in the Moolah Shrine Circus which is set for eight performances June 19 through 22.

of circus tickets or other related items are not deductible as charitable contributions and do not benefit from the Charitable Deduction for Hospitals for Children.

Performances are 7:30 p.m. June 19; 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. June 20; 11:30 a.m., 3:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. June 21; and 1 and 5 p.m. June 22.

Tickets for the Moolah Shrine Circus may be purchased at the Kiel Center box

office at 14th Street and Clark Avenue, or the Moolah Shrine office at 1245 Fee Fee Road. Tickets also are available at all Capital Ticket locations, or by calling Dialtix at (314) 969-1800.

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Pucks of Power membership offers chance for new home

As giveaways go, they don't come much bigger.

Pucks of Power, a local organization that raises money for spinal cord injury research through a variety of events, is giving away a brand new home with a brand new car in the garage.

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Those who purchase a \$100 tax-deductible membership in the Pucks of Power organization will be eligible to win the home and the car. A drawing will be made when the organization reaches 3,500 new members.

Pucks of Power sponsors an annual ice hockey tournament at the Kiel Center



An artist's rendering shows the exterior of the new home Pucks of Power will be giving away during its membership drive.

that spotlights youth hockey and raises funds for spinal cord injury research. The organization is committed to finding a cure for those with spinal cord injuries so that they may walk again.

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Casino billboard adds color

By Jason White
Staff writer

The Casino Queen recently added a splash of color to the East St. Louis riverfront.

The casino's 70-foot wide, 120-foot high, \$1.1 million sign began operating last week. About half the sign is comprised of the Casino Queen's logo; the other half is a lighted message reader board that resembles scoreboards at professional sports venues.

The sign was in a "test mode" prior to last Tuesday, said Ron O'Connor of O'Connor & Partners, a public relations firm hired by the casino. "It's been running intermittently since the Wednesday before Memorial Day," O'Connor said.

O'Connor said initial concerns — that the sign would distract drivers or detract from the view of the St. Louis riverfront — have not been heard since the sign began operating.

"The sign is, frankly, better looking than either the high-tension wires or the grain elevator," O'Connor said, referring to the view of the area near the sign.

He noted that the sign is smaller and operates at a lower level of brightness than the Peabody Coal sign.

"The general population had never indicated a concern," O'Connor said. "We have gone to the (St. Louis) riverfront and asked people what they think, and the general reaction was very positive."

In a press release, General Manager Craig Travers said, "The riverfront is the center of our region and the area's leader in entertainment, relaxation and recreation. This new sign will help to promote that positioning and the sense of excitement that people want at a gaming facility."

The sign will also provide public service announcements. Currently, the sign is running promotions for the American Lung Association, the Prairie State Games and the Ains Shrine Temple Circus on June 14-15 in the casino parking lot.

Travers has asked all community groups in St. Louis, St. Louis County and St. Clair County to submit information about their group. For more information, call the casino at 874-500.

tors Commission, was among those watching the broadcast at Ted Drewes.

"We got a call about three weeks ago that 'Good Morning, America' was scouting some summer locations; we started sending them materials," she said.

Mindy Moore, one of the "Good Morning America" stars, was at Ted Drewes introducing the segment and interviewing several local people. She said the summer tour would travel the country's backroads and see America close-up.

"The trip will be a link with our past, not the impersonal interstate or cyberspace," she said. "It would be about our possibilities, she added."

Those partaking in early morning celebrity the dreary morning of May 27 proved one of those possibilities... a seeming impossibility considering the time and temperature.

Once the cameras shut down, they proved there is no time when frozen custard lovers won't line up to partake of the real thing.

Show warms up Drewes lovers

By Ellen Ellick
Staff writer

Maybe it should have been "Brrr Morning, America."

Because it wasn't just the custard that was cold at 6 a.m. as about 100 persons smiled into the television cameras at the Ted Drewes Frozen Custard stand in south St. Louis.

Chilled ears, fingers and noses protested under the gray, drizzly skies, but the cameras demanded sunshine and sunshine they got.

"Good Morning, America," the volunteer performers shouted sunnily as the director signaled them to begin shining.

The early morning national talk show had selected St. Louis as the kickoff point for its summer road trip, a journey that will proceed along historic U.S. Route 66.

Because Ted Drewes is one of the Route 66 icons, it drew the nod as an appropriate spot for a St. Louis broadcast.

Mary Hendron, associate director for public relations for the St. Louis Convention and Visi-

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